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KODIAK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 03 For Emergency Order #4-FS-K-02-12

The **Southeast Afognak Section** of the Afognak District will open to commercial salmon fishing for **33-hours** from **noon Saturday**, **June 9** to **9:00 p.m. Sunday**, **June 10**.

There will be a <u>48-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period from 12:01 a.m. Saturday, June 9 to 12:01 a.m. Monday, June 11 in the Cape Igvak Section of the Mainland District.

As Previously Announced:

There will be a <u>33-hour</u> commercial salmon fishing period, from **noon Saturday**, **June 9** to **9:00 p.m. Sunday**, **June 10** in the following areas:

- The **Northwest Kodiak District**;
- The Alitak District.

The following areas will **open** to commercial salmon fishing at **noon Saturday June 9**, and will remain **open until further notice**:

- The Inner Kitoi, Outer Kitoi, Duck Bay, and Izhut Bay sections of the Afognak District;
- The Foul Bay Special Harvest Area; and
- The Waterfall Bay Special Harvest Area.

In that portion of the Northwest Kodiak District south of the latitude of Cape Kuliuk, beginning at noon Saturday June 9, until further notice, Chinook (king) salmon 28 inches or greater in length may not be retained by purse seine gear in the commercial fishery and must be returned to the water unharmed.

Closed Water Adjustments:

Closed waters will be **reduced** in the following locations:

- In **Foul Bay** to the stream terminus at Hidden Lake Creek (stream #251-406);
- In **Waterfall Bay** to the stream terminus at Little Waterfall Creek (stream #251-822) and to the stream terminus at Big Waterfall Creek (stream #251-821);
- In **Kitoi Bay** to the ADF&G markers located in Little Kitoi and Big Kitoi bays (near stream #s 252-323 and 252-324);

Other closed waters are as shown on the Kodiak Area Salmon Statistical Chart and detailed in the Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations (5AAC 18.350).

Statistical Charts, Harvest Strategies, and Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available at the Kodiak Fish and Game office. Recent salmon fishery information may be obtained by calling the Department's 24-hour record-a-phone at 486-4559.